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CAMPO-MORENA VILLAGE LIBRARY WILL FEATURE LOCAL LEGENDS PROGRAM – FIRST MAJOR EVENT AFTER NOVEMBER 18 GRAND OPENING *Journalist Will Share Tales of San Diego History at December 3 Program for All Ages*

Two weeks after the grand opening for new Campo-Morena Village Branch of the San Diego County Library on Friday, November 18 at 1 p.m., the library and the local historical society are co-sponsoring a program featuring San Diego author Jack Scheffler Innis on Saturday, December 3, at 11 a.m. at the new location of the Campo-Morena Village branch of the San Diego County Library, 31356 Highway 94, next to the Alternative Education Center.

Innis will be discussing his current book, *Sand Diego Legends: the Events, People and Places that Made History*, and afterward, will sign copies of books that will be available for sale.

Innis is an award-winning journalist who has made an extensive study of the wonderful and often-times quirky history of San Diego. A long-time surfer, fisherman, and boating enthusiast, he is the local media relations representative of the International Game Fish Association. Formerly editor of the *San Diego Log*, Innis is a freelance editor and writer who lives in San Diego with his wife and daughter.

San Diego Legends brings together for the first time the many extraordinary accounts of famous and infamous people, places, and events in San Diego's past. From Father Junípero Serra and his odious sidekick Pedro Fages, to modern stars of stage and screen, you'll meet the pioneers and the plunderers who once called this city home. Many people and events have "made headlines" in the San Diego papers—from the rise and fall of C. Arnholt Smith to the William Randolph Hearst murder story—and this book reveals the stories behind the news stories. There are fascinating historic tidbits, including a "nudist invasion" that wreaked havoc at the 1935 California-Pacific Exposition, the 1852 murder of the city's first mayor, and the bloody shootout at Campo's Gaskill Store. Tales from all over the county are here, from the San Pasqual Battlefield to downtown's former Harlem of the West to the would-be route of the "Impossible Railroad." The author also brings together for the first time a dozen tales from local Indian tribes—including an ancient Kumeyaay creation legend.

Information about the book can be found at: www.sandiegolegends.com. Photos of Innis and the book are attached. For more information, contact the library at (619) 478-5945. – more -



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Directions to the new Campo-Morena Village Library.

Take I-8 East towards El Centro, CA.

Take the Buckman Springs Rd. exit, go 0.2 mi.

Turn **R** on Buckman Springs Rd, go 9.9 mi.

Turn **R** on CA-94, go 0.7 mi.

Arrive at 31356 Highway 94, Campo, on the **R**. (adjacent to Hillside Junior-Senior High School)



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